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Ceremony Inaugurating the Career Staff
on 27 April 1955

MR. REYNOLDS: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, and members of CIA - this meeting today is a very important and significant occasion. It is important to the intelligence community of the United States and personally significant to you, to me and to every employee in CIA. Today we christen the Career Staff of the Central Intelligence Agency. I am privileged and honored to participate in this ceremony - a ceremony in which we announce the names of the first group of members of the CIA Career Staff.

Our present career system was established on 1 July 1954.

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Since then [redacted] staff employees and staff agents serving in the United States and abroad have made application for membership in the Career Staff. Each applicant's record is being carefully reviewed by his supervisors, the Head of his Career Service, and seven offices concerned with his records. [Office of Security, Medical Staff, Office of Training, Office of Personnel, Inspector General, Inspection and Review Staff, and Office of the Comptroller.] The Panel of Examiners makes the final review and the CIA Selection Board, an Agency-wide Board appointed by the Director, makes the final decision.

I am sure you realize that processing more than [redacted] applications 25X9A2
will take a long time. But at last we are ready today to notify [redacted] 25X9A2
applicants that they have been selected for membership in the Career

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Staff. We wish we could welcome each of these individuals personally but unfortunately Mr. Dulles' office is not quite large enough for such an assemblage.

At the 3 August conference last year Mr. Dulles stated that he was eligible for membership in the Career Staff and asked for an application form. He said, "If you will send me one of those forms I will fill it out and see what happens to it."

Now Mr. Dulles, it is my great privilege ^{acting for the} as Chairman of the CIA Selection Board to advise you what happened to your application. You are hereby notified that you have been chosen by the Board as the first member of the Career Staff of the Central Intelligence Agency and that your membership is effective as of 1 July 1954. In behalf of the CIA Career Council, the CIA Selection Board, and all the employees of the Agency I wish to offer congratulations.

Mr. Reynolds presents Mr. Dulles with The Memorandum of Notification

MR. DULLES RESPONDS

MR. REYNOLDS: We now have a Career Staff with one member. At this time Mr. Dulles I wish to present to you 15 persons, chosen at random to represent the [REDACTED] employees who will be notified immediately following this ceremony of their acceptance into the Career Staff of CIA.

Mr. Reynolds introduces the 15 persons selected for the Career Staff to Mr. Dulles

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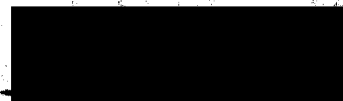
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